

GOVERNOR OF MISSOURI

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TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Herewith I return to you House Bill No. 644 entitled:

AN ACT

To repeal sections 301.069, 301.190, 301.218, 306.410, 430.082 and 700.320, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof six new sections relating to the registration and licensing of motor vehicles.

I disapprove of House Bill No. 644. My reasons for disapproval are as follows:

House Bill No. 644 establishes a two-tiered fee schedule for driveaway license plates by permitting wholesale motor vehicle auctions to purchase such plates at a rate different from all other applicants. There is no basis for creating a separate cost structure for similarly situated applicant groups.

The remaining provisions of House Bill No. 644 are identical to Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 269 which I signed on July 8, 2009.

In accordance with the above stated reasons for disapproval, I am returning House Bill No. 644 without my approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon

Governor